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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants hereby make the following documents of record in the above-identified patent application:

U.S. Patent Documents

5,956,687 Wamsley et al. 09/21/99 2001/0044729 Al Pomerance 11/22/01 2002/0007362 Al Collins et al. 01/17/02

Other Documents

Abhijit Chaudhury et al., "What Can Computer Programs Do To Facilitate Negotiation Processes?" ACM Press, 1991, pp. 269-284.

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These documents are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), and copies of them are enclosed herewith.

Applicants reserve the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the information provided herewith, and/or to prove that this information may not be prior art, and/or to prove that this information may not be enabling for the teachings purportedly offered.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be

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examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent
which may issue on this application. Applicants request that a
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Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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Transmitted herewith is a Supplemental Information

Disclosure Statement in the above-identified patent application.

This Statement is submitted:

- [] within three months of the application filing date;
- [X] more than three months from the application filing date but before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, submission of this Statement requires no fee. However, if for any reason a fee is due, the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with this Statement to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this letter is transmitted herewith.

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